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OPEN BURNING PROHIBITED UNTIL OCTOBER 31, 2001

Utah's closed fire season officially began June 1, 2001 and will remain in effect until October 31, 2001. A closed fire season requires that any open burning be done only by first securing a permit. Permits are available from county fire wardens, county fire chiefs, county sheriff's offices and through offices of the Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands.

"Open burning presents a potentially hazardous situation as our weather continues to warm," explained Acting State Forester Ed Storey. "With proper precautions it is still possible to conduct open burning operations, but we ask that a permit be obtained so we can ensure it is done safely."

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